

173RD FIGHTER WING, KINGSLEY FIELD, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON

173rd Fighter Wing, Kingsley Field, Air National Guard in Klamath Falls, Oregon, employs both civilian and military personnel who support the base's mission through activities such as aircraft engine repair, avionics, and electronic systems repair. For the past 10 years, the base worked to minimize environmental impacts through its environmental management program. The program initially focused on cleanup and installation restoration, but eventually began to emphasize pollution prevention, primarily through increased recycling efforts, reduced hazardous waste generation, and personnel training.

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:	Public Facilities
Business:	Train F-15 pilots for air-to-air combat
Facility Employees:	500-1,000
Accomplishments:	Reduced solid waste Reduced hazardous waste
2003 Commitments:	Reduce energy use Reduce solid waste Reduce hazardous waste Reduce hazardous material use
Address:	211 Vanderburg Drive

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

173rd FW, Kingsley Field, has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance by reducing solid and hazardous waste. Since 1997, the facility has:

- **Reduced solid waste** by increasing recycling 31% through training and placing blue recycling containers in base offices.
- **Reduced hazardous waste** by implementing a wide variety of pollution prevention initiatives, improving housekeeping, and increasing awareness through personnel training.

Future Commitments

173rd FW, Kingsley Field, also committed to continued environmental improvement through additional recycling efforts and reductions in energy and hazardous waste. By 2003, the base will:

- **Reduce energy use** by 10% through facility design and construction, personnel training, and energy conservation technologies.
- **Reduce solid waste** by increasing recycling 15% through implementing glass and plastic recycling, enhancing its compost program, improving tracking systems, training, and streamlining collection opportunities by increasing container availability.
- **Reduce hazardous waste** by 30% through use of launderable absorbents, increased pollution prevention initiatives, assessment of tri-wall packaging, and continued implementation of the Hazardous Materials Pharmacy.

- **Reduce hazardous materials use** by 20% through improving consumption monitoring, using automated ordering and materials management, personnel training, and establishing and maintaining 100% capability of pharmacy computer systems.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

173rd FW, Kingsley Field, stays in touch with community issues through an Annual Community Meeting held by the U.S. Air Force Environmental Management Office (EMO). The base also produces newsletters, press releases, and has an information repository at the local library. The Performance Track Annual Performance Report will be available at the library.